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SHALL WE CHAIN HIM?

In the March issue of Cats Magazine, I read of the "marauding cat law". I think, and a lot of other cat lovers do too, that Monsieur Pieree Pflimlin should not be permitted 216 yards from his house, and see how he dislikes it. Please pardon my boldness, but to say the least, he hits a touchy spot.

Loretta Lux

Kansas City, Mo.

WHAT ABOUT MANX?

Why is it that Cats Magazine very seldom has anything about Manx Cats? Even in show results, Manx wins are never mentioned; always Siamese, Domestic and Household pets. We realize that there are comparativly few Manx shown, but many Manx owners would like to have the same recognition for them as for any other Breed. We think we are entitled to that. Can't you please do something about it? I am sure it would be appreciated by many Manx owners.

Mrs. Carl A. Hahn

St. Louis, Mo.

(EDITOR'S NOTE—Manx are included in the Foreign Short Hair Division and are always listed in the major results of show reports when judged Best in Division. The Manx Cat is the subject of the first of a series of stories and articles by Mr. Fairfax Downey, to appear in Cats Magazine beginning with the June Number.)

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Sarah L Quinn

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A DIFFERENT VIEW

I have been greatly interested in the reports printed in Cats Magazine on the question of the "Marauding Cat Law" as vetoed by Illinois and to come up for action in California.

Being the owner of two felines, who, by the way stick rather closely to their own domain, and feeling that cats do less damage to birds than to harmful rodents, by and large, my first reaction to the veto was favorable.

However, although my cats have both been altered and are males in the first place, one of them has recently been under the care of the veterinarian in the animal hospital here, for injuries received by cats that prowl far and wide in our neighborhood. This experience was serious enough to threaten the loss of the beautiful plumy tail of the Black Persian, besides causing him the suffering of the infection, confinement in a cage and treatment. In addition, the bill for hospital and services is far more than I can afford.

Some of these marauding cats I know to be strays, in my two years here in La Jolla, I have captured and taken to the Humane Society some twenty three of them that were being stoned by hard-hearted house holders and which during this period been kept from starving by my sister's putting out food for them. The Human Society either finds homes for such strays or puts them painlessly out of the way of further suffering, especially when too wild to become household pets. If this small number out of the greater number still at large were left to multiply, fight and generally lead a miserable existence, the situation would have been that much worse. Even so, within a radius of but a few blocks, these last nights have been made hideous by prowlers who not only cause each other injuries in fights, but send household pets to the hospital.

It seems to me, therefore that something could and should be done to remedy this intolerable situation. Personally, I am not keen about the sections in the Illinois proposition regarding birds (2 and 8) since these are of minor importance, but the other sections impress me as reasonable. If they can be improved, all the better, but the best weapon against adopting this bill in California would be to present one that eliminates unwanted cats and protects household pets. I see no reason why owners should pay for licenses, and no prospect of **all** cats being eliminated under the section 3-7 which is aimed at strays. At this rate, it is the pets that are being "eliminated."

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WITH WHICH IS COMBINED
ALICE GRAYDON PHILLIPS
OUR CATS

A dispatch from London reveals that thousands of Britons are turning their pet cats out on the street because they can no longer afford to maintain them. One of the British animal welfare organizations states that during the past year 100,000 stray cats have been reported and that the total is increasing daily. In London alone, homeless cats run into the hundreds each week, the dispatch concludes.

In Berlin, Pa., a black domestic short hair, named Tippy, owned by Paul Landis, has only two of his nine lives remaining. Tippy has had bad luck during his ten months of existence on earth. Here is a rundown of seven of his lives to date:

(1) Starving to death when Mr. Landis found him.

(2) Swallowed a seven-inch worm, which stuck in his throat, and Tippy nearly strangled, until neighbors assisted Mr. Landis, to extract the worm.

(3) Chewed through an electric light cord, part of jaw burned away.

(4) Fell 25 feet from the Landis house roof to the concrete sidewalk. Artificial respiration.

(5) Wedged under kitchen stove while family away. Landis family returned in time to lift stove. Artificial respiration.

(6) Teeth caught in his collar. Tippy found near strangulation.

(7) Ate chunk of veal (most of his teeth are gone - see No. 3). Near strangulation, when found.

The Los Angeles (Calif.) City Council is in the process of drawing up a law to license cats the same as dogs, with $2 for males and $4 for females annually. Should the Council adopt the tax, it will probably result in household pet owners turning loose their cats, thus avoiding the license payment. Object of the tax is for revenue purposes. This is similar to the Massachusettse State cat tax that has promulgated recently by a Boston fiddle player in an effort to obtain publicity for himself in press and on the radio.

From Siam (Thailand) comes an Associated Press report that the very latest in Siamese cats there may be Cat Fighting.

A retired police officer has been seeking the government's permission to promote such Fighting as a sport in Bangkok, which already has fish fighting, cock fighting and the very strange ramification of boxing known as Siamese boxing, which is indeed something to watch.

This officer explains that cat fighting will improve the breed.

"Cat Fighting", he states, "will attract large crowds of people because it will be the first time in Siam that this kind of thing will come into being. Proceeds from the fights will go at least one-half to the furtherance of the welfare of cats of the realm."

He also believes that genuine Siamese cats, which incidentally are a rarity in Siam, could be sold at higher prices to cat lovers abroad.

It is revealed in the same dispatch that the Bangkok municipality did, once upon a time, sponsor contests for cats but they were held on points of beauty and charm, and were not exciting enough to push anyone to extended efforts along cat-breeding lines.

In an effort to add to the general interest of this publication, beginning next month (June1950), the name of Fairfax Downey will by-line articles and stories about Cats which will merit your attention. This new series by Fairfax Downey will be included in a book, CATS OF DESTINY, to be published by Charles Scribner's Sons this fall.

Colonel Downey is a veteran of two world wars and during the past conflict saw service in North Africa. Last year Col. Downey's published books were HORSES OF DESTINY and DOGS OF DESTINY. A Yale graduate, he was a member of the staffs of The Kansas City Star, The New York Herald-Tribune and The New York Sun, before becoming a free-lance writer. He returned to combat with the Field Artillery soon after.

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CAT CALLS—Bill Welch holds mike as Siamese Tribune's Night Editor, show's mascot, spins a cat tale. Ralph Morris, who is secretary of National Cat Foundation, also holds Trp. CH. Nadja of Silver Gables, 1948 All America Cream female. Program was staged in "kitchen set" of KFI-TV for homey atmosphere. "Know Your Cats" is one of the most popular features in Los Angeles and is doing a bang-up job in the interests of cats on the West Coast. (Photos for Cats Magazine by KFI-TV Staff Photographer).

CALIFORNIA BRINGS CATS INTO HOMES WITH A TWIST OF THE DIAL

If you live in Southern California and own a television set, you can have a bunch of cats in your home every Wednesday morning at 10:30 o'clock, and your landlady, who will not permit cats (and dogs) on the premises, can't do a thing about it.

Ralph Morris is the personality, who, in addition to being nuts about cats, has whipped together a video feline dish which he passes out on a regularly sustaining program over television station KFI-TV Los Angeles.

The show has been growing with interest each week and Ralph, who likes fan mail, has it coming into the studio by the bale, not only from all sections of California but neighboring Arizona and Nevada as well. Seems that there is a lot of people with television sets who like cats, or else there is a lot of people with cats who own television sets.

Ralph has been interested in cats for some little while. Maybe he got the urge because of his activities fooling around with boats. Maybe it is because he has been a newspaperman. The boating bunch and the newspaper guys, for some reason or other, have a warm spot in their hearts for cats.

Morris is California's official "cat man" now that he is pictured weekly by video. And he is doing a thorough job of the job for cats, all kinds. He is operating the National Cat Foundation that promotes interest in cats and finds homes for strays, as well as for pedigreed pussies. His Foundation staged a cat exhibit in conjunction with the Sportsmens Show at Gilmore Stadium in Los Angeles several weeks ago. The ten-day event attracted more than a half million people and many new recruits to the cause of cats were signed up. The Foundation cooperated with the California State Department of Fish and Game in urging people not to abandon their unwanted cats in the mountain areas to die or to prey upon quail and other small game animals, in this Sportsmens Show.

Ralph Morris' feline-loving side kick is Dr. Guy Bogart of Beaumont. Bogart handles National Cat Week activities throughout California and is a national officer of the event. At the present time he is conducting the attack on the legislation that would curtail the freedom of all cats in the State.

"Uncle Guy" Bogart's latest achievement was arranging successfully the Ceremony of the Blessing of the Animals at the St. Boniface Indian School on Easter Saturday at Beaumont. In this he worked with Father Gerard of the Mission School who was in charge of the Blessing, the full permission for which was granted by Bishop Charles F. Buddy. The Blessing, an ancient custom in Latin-speaking countries, will now be an annual event.

Ralph Morris reveals that his video feline show is enthusiastically endorsed more so by the ordinary cat owner than the owners of the highly pedigreed cats. The trend therefore is to bring before the camera "Mary Doakes, housewife" her house pet. It is expected that in the near future the majority of programs on KFI-TV will feature such personalities, although the artistocratic Persians, sleeky foreign short hairs and solid color domestics will not be overlooked.

All in all the television show, Know Your Cats, is a lot of fun for Ralph, even if it does require a lot of time and energy. He is really creating new interest on behalf of the Cats of California, and at the same time achieving a humane goal that may result in a better place in the world for all Cats to live in.

His television show brings on more ideas concerning cats. His latest project is a lecture series at the Public Park System Community Houses at Exposition Park, 3990 Menlo Avenue, Los Angeles, the second and fourth Thursday nights of each month at 8 P.M.

Say! When does the California Cat Man find time to sleep?

Connecticut Cat Fanciers have elected Mrs. Joseph D. Russo president for the coming year. Mrs. William Reeves is first vice-president; Mrs. Ralph A. Wilkinson, second vice-president and Mrs. Mollie Brennan, treasurer. Mrs. Florence S. Kanoffe, Twin Lakes Road, North Branford, Conn., is secretary.

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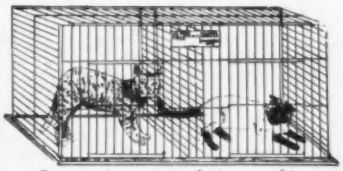

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Forty-five aristocrats of the cat show world have been named to the title of 1950 All-Western in breed, color and sex in the fourth annual rankings of the outstanding felines owned by residents of Arizona, California, Oregon and Washington.

As in the past, California leads the way with forty-one listings, followed by Oregon with 2; and Arizona and Washington with 1 each. Idaho, Montana, Nevada, New Mexico, Utah, Wyoming and Western Canada failed to place.

California carried off the majority of honors, first, because of the greatest number of all breed and specialty shows staked there; and second, because nearly 70% of the exhibitors of the section are Californians. California staged 8 all breed and 13 specialty shows. A total of 446 Californians exhibited at shows during the 1949-50 season.

Oregon staged one all breed and two specialty events, with 80 Oregon exhibitors listed as showing; Washington, with 71 exhibitors had one all breed event. Arizona held one all breed and one specialty show. There were 49 exhibitors residing in Arizona. Wyoming and New Mexico each boasted two exhibitors, while one exhibitor represented Montana and Idaho. A count of Western Canadians was not made, although an all breed show was held in conjunction with the Pacific National Exhibition at Vancouver, B. C., attracting exhibitors from the United States. This show was rated for Sectional and All America.

Last year, Oregon, Washington and Western Canada made up the Northwestern section, but it was discontinued this year in view of the limited number of exhibitions and competing exhibitors throughout that section.

An accurate count of the number of competing cats could not be made in the Western section because of sales, transfers, deaths and changes in names of these cats.

For the first time a minimum of 25 points was required to be accumulated before a cat could be considered for ranking as an All-Western. Every 1950 All-Western cat therefore must have scored at least 25 points. Several of these 1950 All-Western cats will be eliminated from competing for the mythical title of 1950 All America in breed, color and sex because of failure to accumulate at least 50 points.

Every sanctioned cat show held in the United States and Canada between August 7, 1949 and March 18, 1950 was carefully recorded and cats officially ranked. This enabled exhibitors who showed their cats in other sections of America to obtain additional points rightfully earned by their cats. Only errors in rankings can be the result of erroneously reported shows.

1950 All Western ribbon awards will be sent directly to the owner of the cat, provided the receipt of notification was received by Cats Magazine on or before, April 10, 1950 as required.

The Sectional rankings are determined by a mathematical system applied to the results of every sanctioned cat show in the United States and Canada, based primarily on competition provided in the individual classes with extra points added for major show wins. Cats Magazine does not determine the rankings. Neither are the rankings the personal choices of the staff of Cats Magazine.

Point scores of cats are not released. Cats Magazine and its staff cannot enter into correspondence with any exhibitor concerning the rankings. The rankings are published as received.

Four exhibitors tied for having the most number of 1950 All Western Cats—three.

For the first time the Russian Blue breed of Foreign Short Hair is included in the rankings. For the first time also, several Quadruple Champions are listed.

Seven 1950 All Western Cats repeat their titles won last year. Of these three were 1949 All-Americans. One 1949 All-Southern holds the rare distinction of winning 1950 All Western by reason of transfer by sale.

Only three-time winner of an All-Western title is the Brown Tabby female Domestic Short Hair, Katnip Korner

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The Best Cats of 1949-1950 Owned by Exhibitors Residing in the Far West, Based Entirely on a Mathematical System Applied to Every Officially-Sanctioned Cat Shows in the United States and Canada.

LONG HAIR DIVISION

Blue Eyed Whites—Male, Tpl. Ch. Pearl Harbor Radiant Durdana, Mrs. M. A. Carson, Los Angeles, Calif.
—Female, none.

Orange Eyed White—Male, Thomar's Snow Man of Dixi-Land, Dr. and Mrs. H. E. Billig, Glendale, Calif.
—Female, Dixi-Land's White Selena (AS-49), Mrs. Mildred Alexander,Sherman Oaks, Calif.

Blues—Male, Dbl. Ch. Little Boy Blue Too, Mrs. John Pinkston, Chico, Calif.
—Female, Ch. Blulace Rosepoint of Leilani, Mrs. Fred Wildenhus, Redwood City, Calif.

Blacks—Male, Ch. Pied Piper of Barbe Bleue, Mrs. Frances Campbell, Los Angeles, Calif.
—Female, Susie Q. of Roxborough, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Van Holten, Oakland, Calif.

Creams—Male, Collinsdale Buff of Lanny Lea, Dr. and Mrs. Newell L. Moore, Santa Ana, Calif.
—Female, Ch. Rosegate's Rosabella, Mrs. John Pinkston, Chico, Calif.

Reds (Solid)—Male, none.
—Female, Spoon River's Dark Brilliance, Dr. and Mrs. Harry L. Harwood, Chico, Calif.

Red Tabbies—Male, Viking Dark Fire, Mrs. George Perry, Fullerton, Calif.
—Female, Lady Moire, Mrs. Constance M .Rowe, Long Beach, Calif.

Red Tabbies (Peke)—Male, Rajah, Mrs. Thomas Short, Portland, Oregon.
—Female, none.

Brown Tabbies—Male, Mar Vista's Hassan of Glen Mar, Mrs. Margaret Miller, Long Beach, Calif.
—Female, Ch. Light Wing Amaryllis, Mrs. Lena H. Simmons, Seattle, Washington.

Chinchillas—Male, Tpl. Ch. Michael of Beverly-Serrano (AA-49), Miss Lucille Laird, San Bernardino, Calif.
—Female, Susabeth, H. L. Pettit, Los Angeles, Calif.

Shaded Silvers—Male, Quad. Ch. Don Roberto of Beverly-Serrano, (AA-48), Miss Lucille Laird, San Bernardino, Calif.
—Female, Ch. Kiva's Kachina Doll, Mrs. Ada May Miles, Sherman Oaks, Calif.

Smokes—Male, Ch. Briargate Miles Gregory (AW-49), Mrs. Ada May Miles, Sherman Oaks, Calif.
—Female, Ch. Kerry Lu Dark Moon of Inverness, Carrie and Lucy Clingan, Los Angeles, Calif.

Silver Tabbies—Male, none.
—Female, Katnip Korner Treasure, Miss Vivian I. Osburn, Buena Park, Calif.

Blue-Cream—Female, Bleuegate's Mistress Mary, Mrs. John Pinkston, Chico, Calif.

Tortoiseshell—Female, Lynhaven's Coquette, Mr. and Mrs. John Konkel, Lynwood, Calif.

FOREIGN SHORT HAIR DIVISION

Siamese Seal Point—Male, Ch. Quinn's Gallant Leader, Mrs. Elsie L. Quinn, San Gabriel, Calif.
—Female, Ch. Hollywood's Tondelaya, Mrs. Frank Bjerring, North Hollywood, Calif.

Siamese Blue Point—Male, Dbl. Ch. Hollywood's Phar Lap of Nor'Cliff, Mrs. J. H. Clifton, San Francisco, Calif.
—Female, Ch. Blue Belle de Casa Gatos, Mrs. Roberta K. Knight, Oswego, Oregon.

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CHAMPION EL ROSARIO TOVARICH DMITRI
ALL-WESTERN 1950

Best Russian Blue Kitten, Pacific Cat Fanciers — Best Russian Blue, Hollywood, California Cat Fanciers, Solid Color & All Breed. Best Russian Blue & Best For. Shorthair, Oakland 1950. Best Russian Blue, San Diego, All-Breed. Best Russian Blue & Best Short Hair in Show, San Diego Solid Color Spec., 1950. Best Russian Blue, Stockton 1950 All Breed & Solid Color Spec.

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Champion Lamar's Chinkee Lou - S.P. Female
Best Opp. Sex Cat in Show, All-Breed, San Diego 1950
Best Opp. Sex Champion, Best Siamese, Best Short Hair

Champion Lamar's Toto - S.P. Male
Best Siamese, Best Short Hair, All-Breed, Phoenix 1949

Champion Lamar's T'ANG - S.P. Female
Best Opp. Sex Cat in Short Hair Show, Phoenix, 1950
Best Siamese, Best Short Hair in All-Breed Show, Phoenix, 1950

Champion El Rosario Olga
Best Opp. Sex Russian Blue, P.C.F., Los Angeles; Oakland; Hollywood; Stockton; San Diego, 1950

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FOREIGN SHORT HAIR DIVISION (Continued)

Burmese—Male, none.
—Female, Ch. Laos Santee Wat de Casa Gatos (AW-49), Mrs. Blanche Warren, Belleflower, Calif.

Abyssinians—Male, Popeye the Sailor, Miss Alice L. Archibald, Los Angeles, Calif.
—Female, Imp. Ch. Raby Nefertari de Casa Gatos, Mrs. Blanche Warren, Bellflower, Calif.

Russian Blues—Male, Ch. El Rosario Tovarich Dmitri, Mrs. Pauline V. Jones, Coronado, Calif.
—Female, Ch. El Rosario Sonia de Casa Gatos, Mrs. Blanche Warren, Bellflower, Calif.

Manx—Orange Eye White—Female, Tr. Ch. Li's Manx Sno Crystal, Mr. and Mrs. M. A. Adams, Long Beach, Calif.

Manx—Black—Male, Mrs. Alexander's Black Mose, Mrs. Mildred Alexander, Sherman Oaks, Calif.
—Female, Mrs. Alexander's No Tail to Wag, Mrs. Mildred Alexander, Sherman Oaks, Calif.

Manx—Red (Solid)—Male, Tpl. Ch. Mei Li's Manx Golden Sparkie, Mr. and Mrs. M. A. Adams, Long Beach, Calif.

Manx—Tortoiseshell—Female, Quad. Ch. Chanta (AA-49), Miss Colleen Clancy, Glendale, Calif.

Manx—Silver Mackerel—Male, Ch. Vassar's Snuff, Mrs. Charles Vassar, Tucson, Arizona.

DOMESTIC SHORT HAIR DIVISION

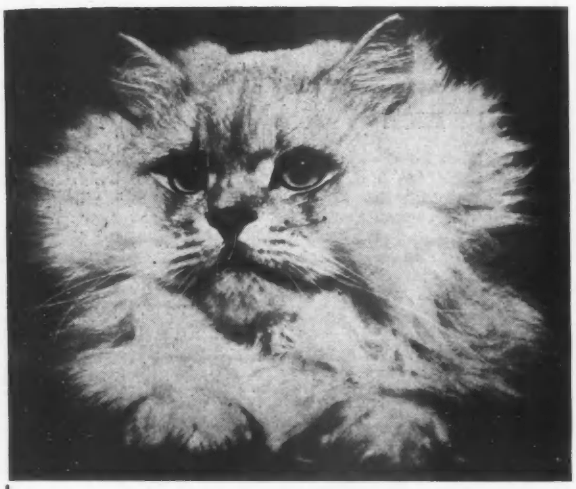
Blue—Male, Bluflash, Dr. Fern Smith, Huntington Park, Calif.

Silver Tabbies—Male, Silver Buttons, Mrs. Ethel Maule, Tujunga, Calif.
—Female, Silver Betty Girl (AW-49), Miss Grace Weller, Los Angeles, Calif.

Smoke—Male, Smoke Rings (AW-49), Dr. Fern Smith, Huntington Park, Calif.

Red Tabby—Male, Tommy Orange, Dr. Fern Smith, Huntington Park, Calif.

Brown Tabby—Female, Katnip Korner Snicklefritz (AA-49), Miss Vivian I. Osburn, Buena Park, Calif.



Tpl. Champion Michael of Beverly-Serrano
Silver Persian Male

1948 All Western
1948 All American
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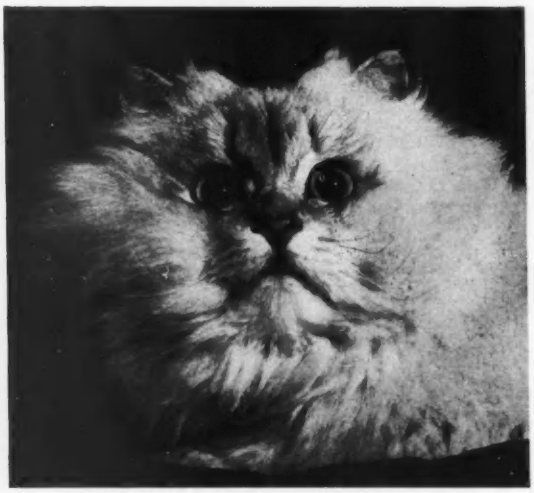

Quad. Champion Don Roberto of Beverly-Serrano
Shaded Silver Persian Male

1948 All Western
1948 All American
1950 All Western

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CAT	Feb. 4-5 Canyon State Cat Club, ACA
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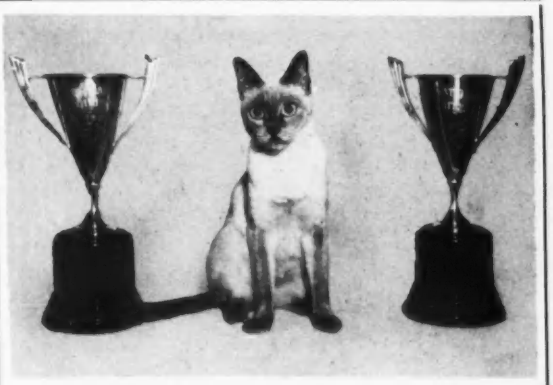

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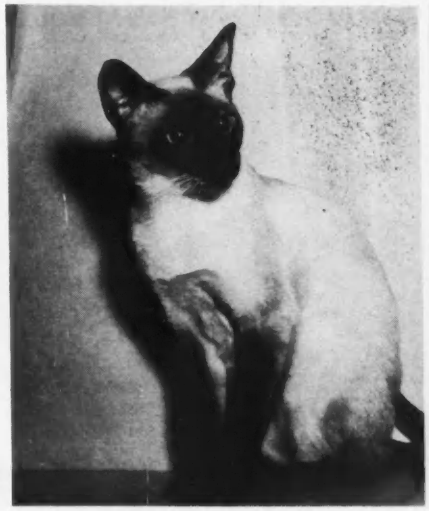

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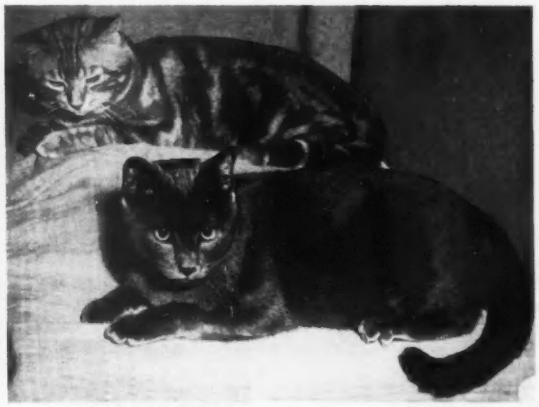

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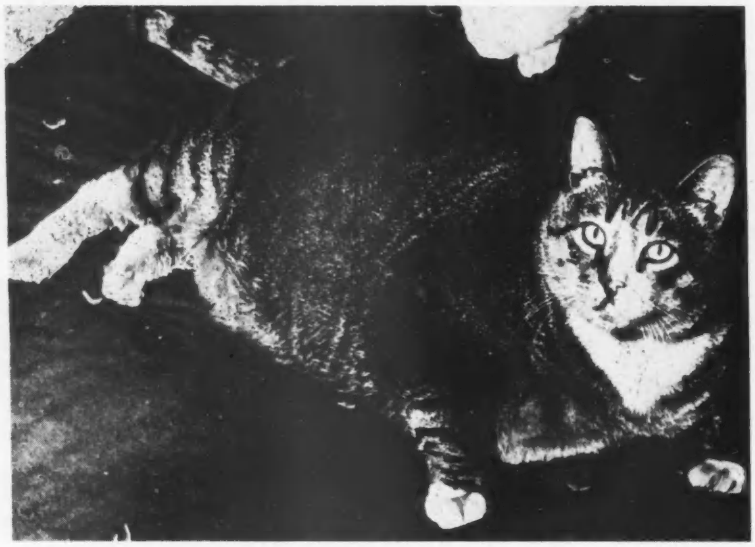

ALL CAT—At the moment Clause (Santa for short) is believed to be the largest cat in the world. He weighs 40 pounds and measures 30 inches around his girth. He is the prize pet of Mr. and Mrs. Axel Simonsen of San Francisco. Clause receives fan mail from all over the country, and adores kids.

by ALICE M. CLARK

What is believed to be the largest (or biggest) cat in America and perhaps in the world today is a native of San Francisco, California, the pet of Mr. and Mrs. Axel Simonsen, 145 Cora Street.

He is Clause, an ordinary pet, gray and white, who tips the beams at 40 pounds, and measures 30 inches around his girth.

Believe it or not but he eats Wheaties! (The Breakfast of Champions—adv.) and is a perfect nuisance clamoring for fried bacon—which he usually gets.

Clause (the kids in the neighborhood call him Santa Claus) was born on February 8, 1942 on the sun porch of his owner's home. His mother lives next door. The big boy was extra large at birth and continued to grow at an unusually fast rate. He was five years old when he really began moving out of normal size, and he hasn't stopped yet!

During the past two years, Clause has been getting a great amount of publicity throughout California, and his name as the biggest cat in America, is now known from coast to coast. He was a "big" attraction at the Pacifific Cat Show in San Francisco last January, and the publicity his presence afforded the exhibition resulted in an unusually large gate—interested cat lovers and others attending the show from all over the State of California just to see him.

Like all other celebrities, Clause's fan mail is increasing. He receives mail from just about every section of the country, and with this story appearing in Cats Magazine, it is expected to be even greater.

Many requests have been received for his picture and as a result he is expected soon to become America's greatest and best known cat.

Feline Infectious Enteritis

Nomenclature on feline enteritis is confusing. The disease has been described as aleucocytosis, infectious agranulocytosis, panleucopenia, infectious gastroenteritis, cat typhus, pseuomembranous enteritis, laryngoenteritis, and cat distemper. It is usually found in animals under 1 year old.

Although British and French workers have distinguished two diseases, each caused by a different virus, there is no conclusive evidence that infectious gastroenteritis and panleucopenia are distinct entities. A purified potent virus must be obtained before an effective vaccine can be produced.

—American Veterinary Journal

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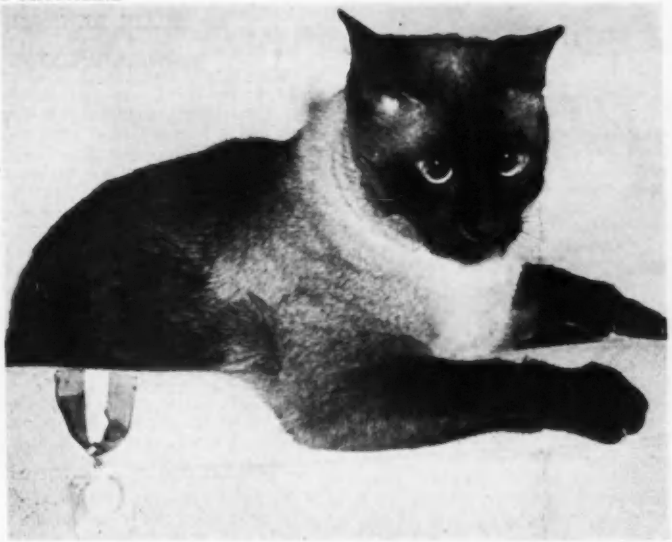


HEROINE AND AUTHOR—Mss Hitty, Siamese spay, owned by Mrs. Mary Rose Bradford of Albuquerque, N. M., strikes a pose between letters as she (?) shows her (?) 1949 Cats Magazine Heroic Cats Medal, received for gallant action in possibly saving the life of her (?) mistress during last Christmas holidays.

NEW MEXICO'S HEROIC SIAMESE EXPRESSES VIEWS IN A LETTER

Dear Mr. Editor:

Your letter of January 5 to my mistress, Mary Rose Bradford, has just come into her hands. Just before you wrote, she went to California and she just returned home.

Yes, I did save her life by jumping on her when I saw the flaming Christmas greens over the fireplace.

I would be very happy to receive the Cats Magazine Heroic Cat Medal.

I am having my picture taken and am sending it to you.

We cats don't often have medals awarded us. It's always the dogs who get 'em, and I'd be just tickled pink to have it.

As you may or may not know, I am a Seal Point Siamese spay, and I've taken some prizes in the two New Orleans Cat Shows in which I was entered. I have two red ribbons, and several green and white ones.

I'm a smart cat, too; I jump on an ottoman to get brushed and I lie down when they tell me to. If I'm left alone in the house too long, I use the bathtub or the fire place for a toilet. And I overturn rugs just to show my independence.

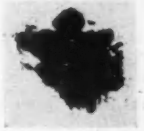
I don't care much for other animals because I've always been with people. I love to eat grasshoppers—I like to hear them crunch—and last summer I must have got hold of a poisoned 'hopper, because I didn't want anything to eat for several days.

I weigh too much for a Siamese but that's because Roark Bradford used to say, "I'd rather have a fat, happy cat than a thin, fashionable unhappy one."

When my former master was quite ill in 1947, I spent every minute with him in our courtyard in New Orleans. When he died in 1948, I was grief-stricken for a long time. I didn't eat anything at all for ten days. Some people say only dogs mourn the death of a master, but that isn't true. As a matter of fact, people have a good many misconceptions about cats. There ought to be a law!

I will be four years old in June.

Sincerely and gratefully,



Miss Hitty, (Her Mark)
c/o Mrs. Roark Bradford

WHO OWNS THE FAMILY?

At Chappaqua, N. Y., Justice of the Peace Ray W. Aylesworth had a decision to make concerning an ordinary mother cat and her four kittens.

Harry V. Anderson, a trade magazine publisher, maintained that the cat, Boots had been given to his daughter Ella on her twelfth birthday last year. Rodney H. Carpenter, a garage mechanic who lives in the basement apartment was charged with luring Boots by feeding her between-meal snacks. Boots had kittens in the Carpenter basement, and the Andersons never saw them.

Carpenter maintains that he started feeding Boots "because she looked starved."

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CAT TAILS . . . . . .

by BILLIE BANCROFT
ASSOCIATE EDITOR

Out in Houston, Missouri, lives a dear litle old lady who owns an Antique Shop, among her rare treasures is a French clock, quite old, enclosed under a glass dome. This clock is always kept running. It was a loud but a very musical tick-tock. The little old lady, Mrs. Artman by name, is the possessor of a Blue Point Siamese, called Egypt. Now Egypt has developed a fanatical love for this French clock and will sit and look at it time without end. She seems to feel it is alive and is talking to her with it's tick-tick-tick. She will rub her head against the shiney glass cover and purr at a great rate. Last week, Egypt presented her mistress with five little Blue Points. Mrs. Artman had a nice comfortable basket arranged for Egypt—she left her for a minute to call the Veterinarian. When she returned Egypt was gone—and finding a cat in an Antique Shop is not easy. Every chair and piece of furniture was investigated. Egypt was nowhere. Mrs. Artman heard a self-satisfied purr—er. Yes—it was Egypt behind the French clock giving her five babies a bath and the wriggling bits of white fur were reposing upon a valuable needlepoint doily. Egypt had decided they needed an enchanted carpet.

Tucker Boy is a royal Alley-cat. The dearly loved companion of little Peter Anderson of Hartsburg, Ill. Tucker Boy refuses to eat no matter how hungry he is—unless his dish is placed near Peter's highchair. When Peter is visiting his grandmother, Tucker Boy will eat only if his dish is by the highchair. Peter has been known to share his breakfast with his friend more than once. Tucker will have nothing to do with any other child—he loves Peter only.

Janice McCain was telling me about 'The Colonel' last week over luncheon at Sardi s. The Colonel has taken out citizenship papers in New York City. His feelings are very easily hurt. He will swish-sh around for hours if he thinks he has been insulted. Janice says she sometimes wishes she could tie his feelings up in a splint or paint them with a solution of some medicated tint just to make him realize how much she loves him. She says there is only one treatment that offers any hope—and that is soft music—and soft soap. (She just turns the radio on soft and low—then rubs his ears and all is forgiven).

John Ames tells me that he lives in the rural section of northwest Pennsylvania. This winter he placed some food out for his Jim Crow, a large black alley cat. Jim had been away for two days calling on his friends and John Ames thought he might come home in the middle of the night and be hungry, if Jim did not get food when he was hungry he cat-er-wauled in a loud voice. About twelve thirty that night John Ames flashed his light out toward the garage to see if Jim had picked up his dinner—the food was gone—but Jim was no where in sight—just at that moment a good sized bob-cat crossed his line of vision and a banshee yowl from a near by tree assured him that Jim Crow was home. The bob-cat cocked his head to one side and howled right back at Jim Crow. John reached for his gun and made a run for the back door. The bob-cat was gone—but Jim Crow came to him with the air of conqueror—explaining in the best of feline language that the cat-as-trophe was cat-i-gor-i-cally finished, and that he was sadly in need of neptha cataria—(Cat-nip Old Fashioned).

Have any of you heard Judge Saxby-Mabie tell of the cat who had to have a passport—I never, never heard anything so hilariously funny. I laughed until I cried when she related it to me. All the Boston papers carried the story. Sorry I can't repeat it here as it has already been printed—the next time you see Judge Mabie—ask her to tell you.

He was named Ziss-Boom-Bah and he was one fifth Persian and four fifths Alley cat. Zizz-Boom-Bah was named by his little master Alan Clifton who lives out in San Francisco. Alan is ten years of age and has just started lessons on the Drums—which probably accounts for the name. The family call this pet Z-B—it is easier to say. Anyway the name was tied to him when he was too young to protest and you know you can't go to the back door and call, 'Here, Ziss-Boom-Bah!' a dozen time without arousing suspicion among the neighbors that you're a bit daft.

Z-B has no use for animals of any breed or species. He treats every cat he knows like a dog and the way he treats dogs is a disgrace to canine dignity. There is one unsubdued enemy, a big German Shepherd that scared the night-lights out of Z-B, the first time the dog appeared in the neighborhood. Z-B is working on the problem now and Heaven help that German Shepherd when he gets his strategy worked out. Z-B was about a year old when he took his first bath in the bath tub. He will sit under the cold water faucet and wash his neck and ears. Alan offered him a cake of soap but he ignored it and went on laving. Alan shut off the water and got him a towel. Z-B will ignore a bowl of fresh water on the floor and drink from the sink. He will look in disdain at a choice Columbia River salmon and go into snorting ecstasies over a dish of rice. When it comes to fish he will catch his own. Alan says he is an individualist—he refuses to be petted—when he is stroked—he zis-sezs—and his swishing tail tells the family to keep its hands off. He likes to show the family he is a real he-guy. The other day he had his dinner, a nice dish of horse meat—mixed with rice. Topped off with a creamy pudding with a dab of whipped cream for dessert. He licked both plates clean, then he went out and caught a field mouse just to show his independence.

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SHE EVEN COMPILED A DICTIONARY

By HETTIE GRAY BAKER

My three cats lined up in front of the charming Englishwoman, who had called expressly to meet them.

Mike, the blue-point Siamese patriarch, looked at her with a welcoming eye and with the affectionate dignity born in his British blood. "It's been many years since I left our native country, Lady Aberconway. I am happy to see you in my adopted home."

Lady Aberconway thanked him prettily.

Chinnie, the short-haired silver tabby, looked at her quizzically and retired to a far corner. "I recognize the fact that you are beautiful and charming. But, after all, Christabel Aberconway, in a group as small as this, there is room for only one person like that and **I am the one!**"

Christabel Aberconway agreed, with graceful gestures of submission.

Kaow, the seal-point kitten, bounced up onto her lap. "Aw, come along and play, Christabel! It's perfectly evident you understand us cats. No one who has compiled a whole dictionary about us can fail to know **all**! C'mon!"

And while Lady Aberconway achieved a fantastic success with a ball and string, I tried to think of whom she reminded me. Then I had it! Mary, the Duchess of Towers! And if my younger readers do not know who she was, let them read DuMaurier's "Peter Ibbetson" and find out.

"Divinely tall and most divinely fair", with sparkling blue eyes, light brown hair just touched with gray a smile at once sweet and infectious, an indescribable quality of eagerness and responsiveness such as I have never met with before.

None of these brilliant qualities seemed consistent with the incredible perseverance and studiousness required to get together the mass of material found in her "Dictionary of Cat Lovers", nor with the drudgery of checking, editing and arranging it.

No wonder Michael Joseph expected to see an elderly don, lately retired from Oxford when he wrote "C. McLaren" to confer at his office about publishing the manuscript.

"C. McLaren?" I asked.

"Yes, it's our family name. The 'Aberconway' comes with the title. Our place is in North Wales, on the Conway River. Aberconway was the former name of the town, it means 'head of the Conway'."

"But," I said. "That's a long way from London. How did you get such an enormous amount of material together in such a short time?"

"It hapened that I belonged to the London Library, which is one of the finest circulating libraries in the world. By the way, it was founded by Thomas Carlyle. They allow members to borrow up to fifteen books at a time. Since I had to take the train to London and back every week, during the war, seven hours each way, I was only too glad to have something to take up the time."

"Anyway, you must have had a large staff of researchers to help", I insisted.

"No, not a staff, but everyone seemed to be interested and the people at the British Museum and the London Library, paricularly, were endlessly helpful in suggesting sources.

"Of course I had no idea at first of

LADY ABERCONWAY

publishing. It all started by my wondering, casually, why other people loved cats, as I had always loved them; and what they had to say about it. As the information came to hand I put it into scrapbooks, just for my own amusement. From time to time I showed these scrapbooks to friends who were writers, and they always said, 'These **must** be published!' I wasn't convinced that they were right, hence the shelter of the McLaren name."

"The list of acknowledgments is one of the most impressive things I ever have seen in a book," I commented. "Four solid pages, in fine type and single space. Wasn't that an ordeal?"

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WESTERN REVIEW OF 1949-50 AND PREVIEW OF 1950-51

ARIZONA

CANYON STATE CAT CLUB OF ARIZONA (ACA). Second annual show, Feb. 4-5, 1950, at Phoenix. Best Cat—Don Roberto of Beverly-Serrano, Shaded Silver male, owned by Miss Lucille Laird. Judge—Not known. Show Manager—Col. E. B. Myrick (also specialty). Short Hair Specialty—Best Cat—Palos Verdes Tam-A-Shee, Seal Point Siamese male, owned by Capt. and Mrs. B. K. Culver, USN. Judge—Not known. 1950-51 dates not announced. No other information received.

CALIFORNIA

ANGEL CITY CAT FANCIERS (CFA). Eighth annual show, Jan. 21-22, 1950, Hotel Alexandria, Los Angeles. Best Cat—Pied Piper of Barbe Bleue, Black male, owned by Mrs. Frances Campbell. Judge—Mrs. Doris Reid. Show Manager—Mrs. Florence E. Thornton. 1950-51 dates—Jan. 20-21, 1951, judge to be announced. No other information received.

CALIFORNIA CAT CLUB (CFA). Fifteenth annual show, Dec. 10-11, 1949, Masonic Temple Auditorium, Hollywood. Best Cat—Sir Bedford of Pickford Square, Shaded Silver, owned by Mrs. Harold E. Webb. Judge—Mrs. C. R. Rotter. Show Manager—Mrs. Bess H. Morse. 1950-51 dates are Jan. 13-14, 1951. No other information received.

CALIFORNIA SILVER FANCIERS (CFA). Fourth annual specialty, Dec. 10-11, 1949, with California Cat Club. Best Cat—Don Roberto of Beverly-Serrano, Shaded Silver male, owned by Miss Lucille Laird. Judge—Mrs. Elsie Granville Flaherty. Show Manager—Mr. Frank Murray. 1950-51 dates to be announced. No other information received.

CALIFORNIA SOLID COLOR FANCIERS (CFA). Second annual specialty, Dec. 10-11, 1949, with California Cat Club. Best Cat—Little Boy Blue Too, Blue male, owned by Mrs. John Pinkston. Judge—Mrs. James R. Mood. Show Manager—Mr. Charles G. Victor. 1950-51 dates to be announced. No other information received.

GOLDEN GATE CAT CLUB (CFA). Third annual show, Jan. 7-8, 1950, Oakland Exposition Building, Oakland, Calif. Best Cat—Little Boy Blue Too, Blue male, owned by Mrs. John Pinkston. Judge—Mrs. Gladys E. Weirich. Show Manager—Mrs. Dorothy Denning, (also specialty). National Siamese Cat Club Specialty—Best Cat—Hollywood's Phar Lap of Nor'Cliff, Blue Point Siamese male, owned by Mrs. James H. Clifton. Judge—Mr. Roy Easterly. 1950-51 dates not announced, but Mrs. Denning will manage show. Meetings are held the last Friday of each month.

LONG BEACH CAT FANCIERS (ACA). Fourth annual show, Nov. 19-20, 1949, Masonic Temple, Long Beach. Best Cat—Blackamoor Hepplewaite, Black male, owned by Mrs. M. A. Carson. Judge—Dr. Frances L. MacCraken. Show Manager—Mrs. Howard C. Warren. 1950-51 dates to be announced. No other information received.

PACIFIC CAT CLUB. Twenty-seventh annual show, Jan. 14-15, 1950, Larkin Hall, Civic Auditorium, San Francisco. UCF rules. Best Cat—Bonnie Darius, Blue male, owned by Mrs. Louise Sylvia. Judge—Mr. Philip C. Jacobs. Show Manager—Mrs. Alice M. Clark (also specialty). Short Hair Specialty—Best Cat—Quinn's Fan Su, Seal Point Siamese female, owned by Mrs. Elsie L. Quinn. Judge—Mrs. Zelma V. Philips. 1950-51 dates scheduled January, 1951, exact dates, judge and rules to be announced. Oldest Club in West. Half century in cat world. For dates and time of monthly meetings write Mrs. Frances Smith, sec'y., 1538 Irving St., San Francisco or phone OVerland 1-1920.

PACIFIC CAT FANCIERS (CFF). Third annual show, Dec. 3-4, 1949, Hotel Alexandria, Los Angeles. Best Cat—Wimauma Masterpiece of Chalsu, Blue male, owned by Mr. Charles G. Victor. Judge — Mrs. William K. Hedrick. Show Manager—Mrs. Pearl W. Stettler. 1950-51 dates—Dec. 2-3, 1950, judge and site to be announced. No other information received.

PACIFIC PERSIANS (CFF). First annual specialty show Dec. 3-4, 1949 with Pacific Can Fanciers. Best Cat—Collinsdale Buff of Lanny Lea, Cream male, owned by Miss Barbara Moore. Judge—Mrs. Floy McGill. Show Manager—Mrs. Jean Hanbury. 1950-51 dates to be announced. No other information received.

PACIFIC SHORT HAIR CLUB (CFF). First annual specialty show, Dec. 3-4, 1949 with Pacific Cat Fanciers. Best Cat—Quinn's Zombie, Seal Point male, owned by Mrs. Elsie L. Quinn. Judge—Mrs. Zelma V. Philips. Show Manager—Mrs. Hazel Davis. 1950-51 dates to be announced. No other information received.

SAN DIEGO CAT FANCIERS (CFA). Third annual show, Jan. 14-15, 1950, Palisades Building, Balboa Park,

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CFA Cat Registration totals (1941-1950), CATS, March '50, applies only to the years indicated, and not to the overall total since the Association was founded.

CALIFORNIA CAPTURES 41 ALL-WEST AWARDS

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Snicklefritz, owned by Miss Vivian I. Osburn, who copped in 1948 and 1949, also as All-American.

Quadruple Champion Don Roberto of Beverly-Serrano, Shaded Silver male, owned by Miss Lucille Laird, was All-Western in 1948 and went on to win 1948 All-America honors, has come back to regain his title lost in 1949. Don Roberto is the top scoring cat of the 1950 All Western Cats, and is the candidate of the Far West for the title of 1950 All-American Cat of the Year. He will vie with the top point scorers of the Midwest, the South and the East for this, the highest achievement as far as titles go for a Cat in the American Show Ring.

The 1950 All Western Rankings show, by use of a minimum point total required for eligibility, the color, breed and sex of cats that are lacking in popularity in the West. There could be exhibits among this group that are unusually fine specimens, but were not shown sufficiently to acquire the number of points necessary to scale the list.

Second highest point total achieved by an All-Western Selection is the Black Male, Champion Pied Piper of Barbe

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HISTORY OF THE AMERICAN CAT FANCY

PART 16 — EARLY WESTERN FIRSTS

BY CHARLES A. KENNY

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Interest in the Cat Fancy descended on the West Coast at about the same time that it took the East and Midwest by storm, but very little is provided in research concerning the first days of the Cat Fancy in the Far West.

All resources that are now available point to the fact that the Far West has set apart from the activities of the Midwest, East and South, yet the entire area was well advanced.

For several years, shortly after the turn of the Century, two cat publications flourished, these being The Sunset Cat Journal, published by Mabel E. Aten of Mill Valley, Calif., and The Western Cat Review, published by H. C. Hinds of San Francisco. Both periodicals merged with The Cat Review, published in Elizabeth, New Jersey in 1910. With two such publications in existence, it appears quite likely that the Cat Fancy in the Far West was fairly well organized.

The West Coast boasted its own registry association known as the Western Cat Association, and exhibitions staged, presumably were held under the regulations of that organization. Eventually though, the Association passed out of existence as member clubs affiliated with the American Cat Association.

Oldest cat club in the Far West is the Pacific Cat Club of San Francisco, which has been active since 1901. The group moved from its original affiliation with A.C.A., to C.F.A. and last winter (January, 1950) staged its annual exhibition under the United Cat Fanciers' rules.

The first sanctioned cat shows held in the Far West were staged in Los Angeles and Fesno, California in 1901. Complete dates are lacking, although the Fresno show was held during December of that year. A Red Persian female, Valrosa Tama, owned by Belmont Perry of Pasadena, Calif., was judged Best Female in the Los Angeles event. Whether this cat was Best in Show is not provided by the sketches research notes available; neither is the name and owner of the Best Male in the Show.

At Fresno, a Best Cat was not proclaimed, but the Best Male and the Best Female were owned by Mrs. G. M. Virgin. Both cats were Blue Eyed White Long Hairs, with Beauty, the male; and Queen, the female.

The outstanding breeder of cats in the West at the beginning of the Cat Fancy was Mrs. C. H. Hoag of San Francisco. Mrs. Hoag owned many cats, both the long and short hair varieties, which she imported from all over the world. The first stud books fail to show her as interested in registering her stock, although she may have listed her cats in the registries of the Western Cat Association.

Although California was the first state to boast of a Western cat club and show Arizona was the first Far West state to have a listing in the original Beresford Stud Book. This was a female Chinchilla, Arlington Chin, owned by Mrs. Francis J. Sarmiento of Phoenix. The cat was originally purchased in Cincinnati.

Probable first cat show in Washington State was staged by the Seattle Cat Club (A.C.A.) in 1907. The Oregon Cat Club (Portland) held that state's first show in January 1911, with the event sponsored by a department store and attracting 21,000 visitors. Of the 165 cats on display, Sir KoKo, a Blue Persian, owned by a Seattle exhibitor, carried off Best Cat award. Sixty-five additional entries were turned down because of lack of space.

First registered cat of California appears in the 1901 (Vol. I) Beresford stud book. This was Emir Al Omra, a Blue-Eyed White male, owned by Mrs. Caroline E. Hildebrand of San Francisco, purchased from Mrs. Hoag.

First Washington State registered cats as indicated by the same Beresford stud book were Mossgiel King Herbert, male; and Mossgiel Daphne, female, both Orange Eyed Whites, owned by Mrs. Virginia M. Elder of Houghton, Washington and purchased by her from a Wisconsin breeder.

QUEEN CITY ELECTS

Mrs. Betty Groell of Buffalo, N.Y., was named president of the Queen City Cat Club at its March meeting. Others elected were Harry Zimmer, Lancaster, senior vice president; Mrs. Elizabeth Scott, Buffalo, junior vice president; H. Mark Webber, Kenmore, treasurer; Mrs. Ruth McNaughton, Clarence, N.Y., recording secretary; Mrs. Marion Galmbacher, 19 Burke Drive, Buffalo 15, show secretary and corresponding secretary, and Mrs. H. Mark Webber, historian.

BABY CARRIAGE SCENE AS STORK LEAVES KITS

The front compartment of a baby carriage was the maternity ward for "Poochie' and three kittens on Main Street, Watertown, Mass.

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SHE EVEN COMPILED A DICTIONARY — BAKER

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down hundreds of sources and copyright owners. When I think it must be done all over again if the book is published in this country—O well, it hardly bears thinking about!"

"But surely you didn't do all that typing yourself?"

"Oh no. I was helped by our Welsh secretary. It did rather complicate matters that he could type easily only in English or Welsh. The French, German, Italian and Old French quotations bewildered him—and also me! But it was fun at that. As I look back, it seems to have all been fun!"

There was another of those electric sparks, which punctuated so many of Lady Aberconway's comments. Indeed the very fiber of her personality seems to be a most engaging eagerness, which must make her every hour a kind of adventure.

"And I certainly needed a diversion far removed from our life during the war. At our home in Wales, we had about forty children from London, with their nannies. The children were delightful, but if you don't think handling lots of nannies all under the same roof was a form of purgatory, I'll try to explain it. However, I see you believe me! Then in the farmhouse, we had mothers and children from the worst slums of Liverpool. I don't know how the original lot worked it but they slipped in their friends secretly, one or two at a time, until suddenly the place was bulging with them. People everywhere, some sleeping under tables and others behind doors; and all refusing to leave, even when the Billeting Officer ordered them elsewhere. Finally the local constable turned up and they recognized his authority. The Billeting Officer found other shelters and a truckful of—what do you Americans call them—"ringers" departed at last. But those who were left presented problems. You wouldn't believe what problems if I told you. But that was forgiven when you saw the condition they were in. It was heartbreaking."

"And now, Lady Aberconway, the usual, bromidic question. How do you like America?"

Again the eager, happy urgency. "Oh I love it. Of course I've seen only a few cities and those all in the East. But I **must** come again and see more and your Western places, too. I think Washington the most fascinating city I've ever been in and the Hudson River Valley is **too** beautiful. I never imagined anything so stimulating as New York City and I love the crisp, cold weather we have been having. And I don't wonder English visitors come home and try in vain to describe the hospitality of you Americans. Everyone has been **so** kind. And of course—" here her tender, smiling gaze took in the three important "people" in the room—"American cats are simply extraordinary!"

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DROOLING

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Over activation of the salivary glands, or normal activation which is not properly coped with by the cat, results in a condition called, drolling. This simply means that instead of swallowing, the cat permits the saliva to run from either side of the mouth. Drooling may be an indication of trouble, or it may be outward evidence that the cat is eager, extremely contented, or protesting the intolerable.

Perhaps the first thought in drooling is a thorough check of the cat's mouth. A bad tooth, a loose tooth, inflamed gums caused by deposits of tartar, or a foreign body lodged between the teeth might be the cause. If so, the proper procedure is obvious. When the cause is removed it is reasonable to suppose that drooling will cease.

Drooling is also a strong indication of sore throat. If one finds everything in order in the mouth, the throat should be carefully examined for any patchiness of swelling. The slightest suspicion that all is not well should be verified by a visit to the veterinarian. When a cat maintains normal appetite during the drooling period one may just about eliminate the cause as that of sore throat. If it means painful swallowing cats absolutely refuse nourishment. In this respect, at least, all seem to react in the same manner.

Drooling is sometimes a sign of deep contentment. A very affectionate cat may drool a little when petted by one she particularly fancies. There is really no "cure" for this type of drooler. The little trickles of moisture must be accepted as a compliment from a full heart.

A cat that has never drooled in her life may do so after kittening. Some cats are so very maternal that the thrill of having babies causes them to purr so strongly and so constantly that there just doesn't seem to be time for regular swallowing. In this instance, drolling will stop when the novelty of the new little family has worn off.

Drooling in expectation of food is not common in cats, though it does exist. Other than keeping the cat away from the area where the food is being prepared, there is little one can do about it.

In the show room, drooling can prove a real problem. A preparation that the majority of cats might accept calmly, may set one to drooling violently. In a case of this kind, one should determine in advance of a show, if possible, to what preparations a cat objects. Most breeders wash the exhibition cages assigned them before benching their cats and sometimes the washing solution may prove offensive to a neighboring cat. If the owner of the cat knows her pet is sensitive to the preparation being used in the adjoining cage, she should place her cat in a carrier some distance away, until the odor has passed off, or explain her cat's peculiarity.

Really unusual, though I own two of that type myself, are the "brush drooleers". This is the type that sets up a profuse drooling the minute they feel a brush on them. This is perhaps the most exasperating type of drooler known, and presents quite a problem in the show cat. My own experience has been that if the cat is brushed and combed well in advance of the judging and a bib of toweling placed around the neck, one may be reasonably sure that the cat will be presentable when her number is called. Running the comb lightly over the bib and ruff is all the last minute grooming one may risk. One of my drollers is nearly a double champion, the other has six CFA points, which will testify to the effectiveness of this treatment of the problem.

Fortunately, drooling, in itself, is not serious. However, it may be an indication of a local bad condition. In any event, one should attempt to find the cause and correct it. If the cat is just a natural drooler, one is obliged to accept the annoyance with as good grace as possible.

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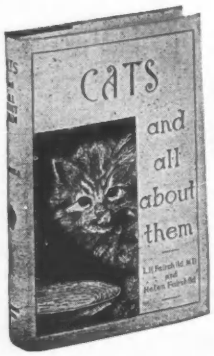

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San Diego. Best Cat—Babe Le Roy of Beverly-Serrano, Chinchilla male, owned by Miss Vivian I. Osburn. Judge—Mrs. Helen G. Fairchild. Show Manager—Mr. J. Harry Dunn. National Siamese Cat Club Cpecialty—Best Cat—Lamar's Kuan Yin, Blue Point Siamese female, owned by Lt. and Mrs. Charles L. Jones. Judge—Alice Graydon Phillips. Solid Color Club of the West Specialty—Best Cat—Pied Piper of Barbe Bleue, Black male, owned by Mrs. Frances S. Campbell. Judge—Alice Graydon Phillips. 1950-51 dates—Jan. 27-28, 1951, San Diego, judge, Mrs. C. F. Rotter. Meeting held second Thursday of each month.

SAN FRANCISCO CAT CLUB (ACA). Recently organized. Meeting held second Friday of each month. Mrs. B. P. Miller, secretary, 2619 Sacramento St., San Francisco 15. 1950-51 dates—Nov. 4-5, 1950 with Siamese Specialty added, judges to be announced.

SAN FRANCISCO CAT FANCIERS (CFA). Recently organized. No information received.

SAN JOAQUIN CAT FANCIERS (CFA). First annual show, Jan. 28-29, 1950, State Armory, Stockton. Best Cat—Pied Piper of Barbe Bleue, Black male, owned by Mrs. Frances S. Campbell. Judge—Mrs. James R. Mood. Show Manager—Mr. Robert P. Wilson (also specialties). Solid Color Club of the West Specialty—Best Cat—Pied Piper of Barbe Bleue. Judge—Mrs. Elsie Granville Flaherty. Siammese Breeders of the West Specialty—Best Cat—Bowen's Su Chi, Seal Point Siamese female, owned by Mrs. Lois E. Day. Judge—Mrs. Helen Etherton. 1950-51 dates to be announced. No other information received.

SIAMESE CAT BREEDERS OF THE WEST (CFA). A specialty show, Jan. 28-29, 1950 with San Joaquin Cat Fanciers at Stockton. No other information received.

EARLE M. PHILIPS
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SIAMESE CAT SOCIETY OF CALIFORNIA (UCF). Ninth annual Specialty, Sept. 25, 1949, Griffith Park Gymnasium, Los Angeles. Best Cat—Quinn's Fan Su, Seal Point Siamese female, owned by Mrs. Elsie L. Quinn. Judge—Mr. Charles Williams. Show Manager—Mr. Earle M. Philips. 48 Seal Points 40 Blue Points competed. 1950-51 dates scheduled September, 1950, exact date to be announced. The Society has a membership of 60. Mrs. Leigh Manley, secretary, 3269 Zoe Ave., Huntington Park Meetings are held monthly with members participating in judging classes and instruction programs. The Society is eleven years old.

SILVER FANCIERS (UCF). Sixth specialty show, Feb. 18-19, 1950 with Western Cat Club. Best Cat—Don Roberto of Beverly-Serrano, Shaded Silver male, owned by Miss Lucille Laird. Judge—Mrs. J. Oken. Show Manager—Mrs. Gladys Smith. 1950-51 dates have not been announced. Meeting held second Friday of each month. Boltwood E. Dodson, 1427 East Windsor Road, Glendale 5, is secretary.

SOLID COLOR CLUB OF THE WEST (CFA). Two specialty shows were held during the 1949-50 season. (See San Joaquin Cat Fanciers, Inc., and San Diego Cat Fancires). 1950-51 dates to be announced. No other information received.

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA SHORT HAIR BREEDERS (ACA). Second annual show, Aug. 7, 1949, Warren Residence, Belleflower. Best Cat—Lamar's Satyra, Blue Point Siamese, owned by Lt. and Mrs. Charles L. Jones. Judge—Philip C. Jacobs. 1950-51 date not announced, but exhibition will be held during the late summer. No other information received.

WESTERN CAT CLUB (UCF). Third annual show, Feb. 18-19, 1950. Glendale Y.M.C.A. Gymnasium, Glendale. Best Cat—Don Roberto of Beverly-Serrano, Shaded Silver male, owned byy Miss Lucille Laird. Judge—Mrs. Anna Pardee. Show Managers—Mr. and Mrs. Earle M. Philips. 1950-51 dates not announced. Meeting held last Saturday of each month in home of Club president, 1124 So. Fourth Ave., Arcadia.

NEW MEXICO

ALBUQUERQUE CAT CLUB (CFA). Announcement of organization made by C. F. A. Secretary. No other details received. For additional information write Mrs. W. L. Beale, Secretary, 4451 Avenida del Sol, Albuquerque, N. M.

OREGON

ROSE CITY CAT CLUB, INC., (ACA). Sixth annual show, Nov. 26-27, 1949 at Municipal Auditorium, Portland. Best Cat—Wayside's Nicholas Miraculous, Blue male, owned by Mrs. W. K. Whitaker. Judge—Mrs. J. Oken. Show Manager—Mrs. W. L. Mahoney (also specialties). Siamese Specialty—Best Cat—Knight's Suki-Bu, Seal Point Siamese female, owned by Mrs. Roberta K. Knight. Judge—Mr. B. W. Wilson. Tabby and Tortie Specialty—Best Cat—Rajah, Red Tabby Peke male, owned by Mrs. Thomas Short. 1950-51 dates—Dec. 2-3 (tentative), site and judges to be announced. No other information received.

WASHINGTON

SEATTLE CAT CLUB (ACA). Tenth annual show, Jan. 14-15, 1950, Seattle Civic Auditorium, Seattle. Best Cat—Light Wing Black Monarch, Black male, owned by Mrs. Lena Simmons. Judge—Mrs. Floy McGill. Manager—Mr. Merv G. Stevens. 1950-51 dates have not been settled, although exhibition is planned. Club was founded in October 1930 by Mrs. Tillie Oken, who has been president since that date. Club meets monthly. For date and time write Elizabeth Dickinson, sec'y., 1145 10th Ave., N., Seattle 2. Mrs. Ruth Stevens, program chairman presents color films at the meetings.

CANADA

PACIFIC NATIONAL SOCIETY (ACA). Annual show held in conjunction with the Pacific National Exhibition, Exhibition Park, Vancouver, B.C., Aug. 29-30, 1949. Best Cat—Dixi-Land's Montpellier's Victor, Blue male, owned by Mr. and Mrs. E. Montpellier. Judge—Mrs. J. Oken. Superintendent—Mrs. George Strevens. 1950-51 dates not announced, but exhitibtion probably with Pacific National Exhibition. No information received.

45 ALL-WEST AWARDS

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Bleue, owned by Mrs. Frances Campbell.

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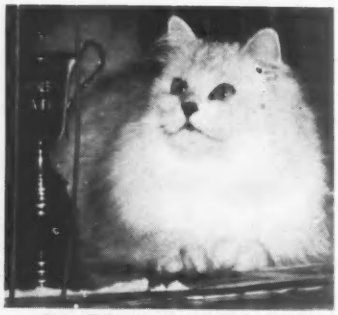

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